

may request to report for its onshore leases in accordance with the requirements of that section. Any such request must be made by advance written notice to MMS and have MMS approval.

(d)(1) Except where disclosure is required by law, information submitted on Form MMS-3160 that MMS classifies as confidential will be protected as such by both MMS and BLM for the period of 1 year. Operators must petition MMS for each lease or agreement to obtain a confidential classification and to extend the classification period beyond 1 year.

(2) Except as provided by statute, information submitted on Form MMS-3160 in regard to Federal leases and Indian leases which are part of a unit containing non-Indian leases is not considered to be confidential.

(3) Except where disclosure is required by law, all information submitted on Form MMS-3160 in regard to Indian leases, other than those included in paragraph (d)(2) of this section, will be considered to be confidential.

(4) Except as provided in this subsection, all other information will be released.

[53 FR 16412, May 9, 1988, as amended at 58 FR 45254, Aug. 27, 1993; 58 FR 64903, Dec. 10, 1993]

§216.51 Facility and Measurement Information Form.

A Facility and Measurement Information Form (Form MMS-4051) must be filed for each facility or measurement device which handles production from any Federal or Indian lease, or federally-approved agreement, through the point of first sale or the point of royalty computation, whichever is later. The completed form must be filed by any operator (reporting production on a Form MMS-4054) of an onshore Facility Measurement Point (FMP) that handles production from any Federal or Indian lease or federally-approved agreement prior to, or at the point of royalty determination, or any operator who acquires an onshore FMP that is currently reporting to the PAAS. The report must be filed no later than 30 days after the establishment of a new facility or measurement device, or 30 days after a change is

made to an existing facility or measurement device.

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§216.52 First Purchaser Report.

The First Purchaser Report (Form MMS-4053) must be filed by first purchasers only upon the specific request of MMS.

[51 FR 8175, Mar. 7, 1986. Redesignated at 58 FR 64903, Dec. 10, 1993]

§216.53 Oil and Gas Operations Report.

Every operator of an OCS lease or federally-approved offshore agreement and any operator of an onshore Federal or Indian lease or federally-approved agreement that has elected to report production on an Oil and Gas Operations Report (Form MMS-4054) instead of the Form MMS-3160 (see §216.50(c)(2)) must file a Form MMS-4054 each month as long as there exists at least one well that is not permanently plugged and abandoned. A completed Form MMS-4054 must be filed for each calendar month, beginning with the month in which drilling operations are initiated, on or before the 15th day of the second month following the month being reported, until the lease or agreement is terminated, or the last well is permanently plugged or abandoned and all inventory is disposed of, or until omission of the report is authorized by MMS.

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§216.54 Gas Analysis Report.

When requested by MMS, any operator must file a Gas Analysis Report (GAR) (Form MMS-4055) for each royalty or allocation meter. The form must contain accurate and detailed gas analysis information. This requirement applies to offshore, onshore, or Indian leases.

(a) MMS may request a GAR when you sell gas, or transfer gas for processing, before the point of royalty computation.

(b) When MMS first requests this report, the report is due within 30 days. If MMS requests subsequent reports, they will be due no later than 45 days after